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**Proclaiming Public Health Week 2013**

Each day, every Los Angeles County resident benefits from the services provided by the Department of Public Health (Department). The Department's responsibilities include key functions such as restaurant and health facility inspections, communicable disease prevention and follow-up services, health education and outreach in the community, and population and case-based surveillance to monitor and improve the health of the residents in Los Angeles County (County). These functions are crucial to ensure the County is a safe and healthy place to live, work and visit.

Each year, the County celebrates Public Health Week and recognizes the Department's efforts to protect health, prevent disease, and promote the health and well-being of all residents. This year's Public Health Week will take place on April 1-7, 2013 with the theme of "Public Health is a Return on Investment (ROI): Save Lives, Save Money." This theme was chosen to highlight the value of prevention and the

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importance of well-supported public health systems to prevent disease, save lives, and curb health care spending.

In honor of Public Health Week, all County residents are invited to attend "Health Expo 2013" on Thursday, April 4, 2013 from 11:00 am to 2:30 pm at La Placita near Olvera Street. The event will include free health screenings, cooking demonstrations, tips on how to stay healthy, and emergency preparedness information. Additionally, all County employees are invited to attend a Wellness Fair on Tuesday, April 2, 2013 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at Grand Park located between the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration and the Stanley Mosk Court House in downtown Los Angeles.

**I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

1. Proclaim the week of April 1-7, 2013, as Public Health Week throughout Los Angeles County with the theme "Public Health is a Return on Investment (ROI): Save Lives, Save Money", and urge all residents, public officials and Los Angeles County employees, as well as community groups, clubs and organizations to join the effort to promote good public health practices throughout Los Angeles County; and
2. Waive the parking fees at the Music Center Garage in the amount of \$1,000, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for approximately 50 vehicles for attendees of the Wellness Fair in Grand Park on April 2, 2013.

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